

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

1. (currently amended) A process for the production of 7-(3-aminomethyl-4-syn-methoxyiminopyrrolidin-1-yl)-1-cyclopropyl-6-fluoro-4-oxo-1,4-dihydro-1,8-naphthyridine-3-carboxylic acid methanesulfonate sesquihydrate which comprises: (a) forming a crystallization solution comprising 7-(3-aminomethyl-4-methoxyiminopyrrolidin-1-yl)-1-cyclopropyl-6-fluoro-4-oxo-1,4-dihydro-1,8-naphthyridine-3-carboxylic acid, methanesulfonic acid, and a solvent comprising at least one least one water miscible cosolvent and water, wherein the ratio of water miscible cosolvent : water is in the range of 2:1 to 1:2 v/v,
(b) reacting said carboxylic acid and ~~methane sulfonic~~ methanesulfonic acid in the solvent, and
(c) isolating the resulting solid product which comprises 7-(3-aminomethyl-4-syn-methoxyiminopyrrolidin-1-yl)-1-cyclopropyl-6-fluoro-4-oxo-1,4-dihydro-1,8-naphthyridine-3-carboxylic acid methanesulfonate sesquihydrate.
2. (original) A process according to claim 1 wherein the water miscible cosolvent is a C₁₋₄ alcohol.
3. (original) A process according to claim 2 wherein the water miscible cosolvent is isopropanol.
4. (canceled)
5. (previously presented) A process according to claim 1 wherein the ratio of water miscible cosolvent : water is 2:1 v/v.

6. (currently amended) A process according to claim 1 wherein the ratio of ~~7-(3-aminomethyl-4-syn-methoxyiminopyrrolidin-1-yl)-1-cyclopropyl-6-fluoro-4-oxo-1,4-dihydro-1,8-naphthyridine-3-carboxylic acid : solvent~~ 7-(3-aminomethyl-4-syn-methoxyiminopyrrolidin-1-yl)-1-cyclopropyl-6-fluoro-4-oxo-1,4-dihydro-1,8-naphthyridine-3-carboxylic acid : solvent is 1:100 w/v or more.

7. (previously presented) A process according to claim 1 which uses from 0.7 to 1.5 mole equivalents of methanesulfonic acid.

8. (currently amended) A process according to claim 1 wherein the crystallization solution is seeded with ~~7-(3-aminomethyl-4-syn-methoxyiminopyrrolidin-1-yl)-1-cyclopropyl-6-fluoro-4-oxo-1,4-dihydro-1,8-naphthyridine-3-carboxylic acid~~ 7-(3-aminomethyl-4-syn-methoxyiminopyrrolidin-1-yl)-1-cyclopropyl-6-fluoro-4-oxo-1,4-dihydro-1,8-naphthyridine-3-carboxylic acid methanesulfonate sesquihydrate to aid crystallisation crystallization.

9. (original) A process according to claim 8 wherein the solution is seeded whilst at a temperature of $\geq 25^{\circ}\text{C}$.

10. (original) A process according to claim 9 wherein the solution is seeded whilst at a temperature of about 30°C .

11. (currently amended) A process for the production of 7-(3-aminomethyl-4-syn-methoxyiminopyrrolidin-1-yl)-1-cyclopropyl-6-fluoro-4-oxo-1,4-dihydro-1,8-naphthyridine-3-carboxylic acid methanesulfonate sesquihydrate which comprises:

(a) forming a crystallization solution comprising 7-(3-aminomethyl-4-syn-methoxyiminopyrrolidin-1-yl)-1-cyclopropyl-6-fluoro-4-oxo-1,4-dihydro-1,8-naphthyridine-3-carboxylic acid, methanesulfonic acid, and a solvent comprising at least

one least one C₁₋₄ alcohol and water, wherein the ratio of C₁₋₄ alcohol : water is in the range of 2:1 to 1:2 v/v, the ratio of said carboxylic acid to said solvent is 1:100 w/v or more, and from 0.7 to 1.5 mole equivalents of the methanesulfonic acid is used,

(b) reacting said carboxylic acid and ~~methane sulfonic~~ methanesulfonic acid in the solvent, and

(c) isolating the resulting solid product which comprises 7-(3-aminomethyl-4-*syn*-methoxyiminopyrrolidin-1-yl)-1-cyclopropyl-6-fluoro-4-oxo-1,4-dihydro-1,8-naphthyridine-3-carboxylic acid methanesulfonate sesquihydrate.

12. (previously presented) A process according to claim 11 wherein the C₁₋₄ alcohol is isopropanol.

13. (previously presented) A process according to claim 11 wherein the ratio of C₁₋₄ alcohol : water is 2:1 v/v.

14. (currently amended) A process according to claim 11 wherein the crystallization solution is seeded with 7-(3-aminomethyl-4-*syn*-methoxyiminopyrrolidin-1-yl)-1-cyclopropyl-6-fluoro-4-oxo-1,4-dihydro-1,8-naphthyridine-3-carboxylic acid methanesulfonate sesquihydrate to aid ~~crystallisation~~ crystallization.

15. (previously presented) A process according to claim 14 wherein the solution is seeded whilst at a temperature of $\geq 25^{\circ}$ C.

16. (previously presented) A process according to claim 14 wherein the solution is seeded whilst at a temperature of about 30° C.

17. (canceled)

18. (canceled)

19. (currently amended) A process according to claim 1 wherein the methanesulfonate sesquihydrate is ~~crystallised~~ crystallized out of solution by cooling.
20. (previously presented) A process according to claim 1 wherein the resulting solid product is dried.
21. (previously presented) A process according to claim 1 wherein the resulting solid product is dried at 50-55° C under vacuum.
22. (currently amended) A process according to claim 11 wherein the methanesulfonate sesquihydrate is ~~crystallised~~ crystallized out of solution by cooling.
23. (previously presented) A process according to claim 11 wherein the resulting solid product is dried.
24. (previously presented) A process according to claim 11 wherein the resulting solid product is dried at 50-55° C under vacuum.